

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-27 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 4-6, 9, 11-12, 14, 16 and 21 are amended and claim 27 is withdrawn. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments or the following remarks is respectfully requested.

A. The Office Action rejects claims 4-6, 9, 11-12, 14-19, 21 and 25 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Applicants respectfully submit that the above amendments obviate the grounds for the rejection.

Further, with respect to claims 4-6, 9 and 11-12, Applicants respectfully note that at least Figure 4a shows two second magnets 36 and two first magnets 26 located near opposite ends of a connecting plate 32 and a body plate 22, respectively.

With respect to claim 14, Applicants respectfully submit that in one embodiment of the present invention, a folder section 150 can rotate about a second hinge shaft 134 only after the folder section 150 has rotated about away from the main section 140 using rotation guide members 145 by 90°. In another embodiment, the folder section can rotate about a second hinge shaft for an exemplary range of motion such as 90°-135° of the rotation guide members.

With respect to claim 25, Applicants respectfully submit that that click hinge is illustrated in at least Figure 7a and described in at least paragraph 60 of the present application.

Withdrawal of the rejection of claims 4-6, 9, 11-12, 14-19, 21 and 25 under §112 is respectfully requested.

B. The Office Action rejects claims 15-25 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over Japanese Patent 2004138092A (hereafter "'092"). The Office Action further rejects claims 1-14 and 26 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over '092 and U.S. Patent No. 6,408,484 to Vandertouw. Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections are moot.

Applicants will provide Verified English-language Translations of the priority documents, Korean Patent Application Nos. 2003-0047443 (filed July 11, 2003) and 2003-0047445 (filed July 11, 2003). Applicants further respectfully submit that at least claims 1-26 are entitled to priority dates that are before '092's May 13, 2004 publication date. Thus, '092 is not prior art as to those claims. Applicants respectfully submit that Vandertouw alone does not teach or suggest features recited in claims 1-26.

For at least the reasons set forth above, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1, 7, 15 and 20 define patentable subject matter. Claims 2-6, 8-14, 16-19 and 21-26 depend from claims 1, 7, 15 and 20, respectively, and therefore also define patentable subject

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matter for at least that reason as well as their additionally recited features and combinations thereof. Withdrawal of the rejection of claims 15-25 under §102 and claims 1-14 and 26 under §103 is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, Carl R. Wesolowski, at the telephone number listed below.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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